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A CHROMATOGRAPHY METHOD AND A COLUMN MATERIAL USEFUL IN SAID METHOD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

July 25, 2003

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of February 18, 2003 for three months to August 18, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$465 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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